

Remote learning procedures during COVID-19 Pandemic

At the John of Gaunt School, we are prepared to respond to any level of local or national restriction that may affect students' attendance at school and their learning. It is our intention to provide work remotely that is relevant to students' studies at the time of isolation. All work will be tied to our GEM Learning Cycles (LC) and based on our Key Performance Indicators (KPI) assessment criteria. Tasks will be purposeful and challenging. No student, whatever their background, will be unable to access the work they require whether through IT or more traditional media sources.

Our contingency planning is based upon the government's tier system and is as follows:

Tier 1: The school is open to all students

Dependent on the R number, staff and students will wear face coverings in corridors, indoor communal areas and whilst moving around the school site.

If individual students are showing symptoms and awaiting Covid-19 test results or are self-isolating for up to 14 days, pools of subject specific tasks for each year group can be accessed through Class Charts. The work set is enough to span the lessons allocated on their two-week timetable. It is based on that term's LC work and the KPIs.

Tier 2: The school will move to a rota model

Specific year groups will attend school whilst others are taught remotely, through Microsoft Teams, on a rotational basis. Vulnerable and key-worker students will be allowed to attend full-time.

Years 7, 11 & 13 will follow a 2-weeks on, 1 week off model and Years 8, 9, 10 and 12 will follow a 1 week on and 2 weeks off model. This will follow the overall cycle of:

Week 1: Yrs 7/11/13

Week 2: Yrs 7/11/13

Week 1: Yrs 8/9/10/12

Week 2: Yrs 7/11/13

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and so on...

This follows the DfE guidance of retaining 'bubbles', not reducing rota lengths to less than a week and staff being able to work across rota groups.

Staff training, refresher training and student training on using Microsoft Teams will all be delivered by the end of September. An on-line Loom presentation will be accessible to all students and parents via Class Charts by the end of September.

Tier 3: The school will close with exceptions

Exceptions will be the vulnerable students, critical-worker students and year groups selected by the DfE

For those staff and students in school, face coverings will be worn at all times. All other students will be taught remotely through Teams.

Tier 4: The school will remain closed with decreased exceptions

Only vulnerable and critical-worker students will be allowed to attend school.

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